

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 14 with the following:

In the embodiment shown in Figure 9, system 912 actively discovers nameservers. It may actively discover nameservers by sending a namespace mapping resolution query to multiple devices in network 700. In this scenario, system 912 waits for responses to the queries and then determines if a particular system or device is a nameserver from information communicated to or from that system or device. For example, system ~~512~~ 912 may inspect a response sent by a device, and may compare the format of the particular device's response to a known format of namespace mapping resolution responses to determine if that device is servicing resolution queries.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 30 with the following:

After system 912 has discovered both primary nameserver ~~408~~ 708 and nameserver 706, it can obtain and compare namespace mappings from both nameservers. System 912 may obtain namespace mappings from nameservers 708 and 706 by accessing their respective databases or by requesting from them namespace mapping resolutions for one or more names, for example. System 912 may then, for example, alert either an administrator of network 700 or a third party of any discrepancy it discovers. System 912 may periodically perform one or more of the acts of discovering, obtaining, comparing and alerting as detailed above. System 912 may also perform one or more of the acts of discovering, obtaining, comparing and alerting as detailed above on a subset of mappings (e.g., important mappings) held by primary nameserver 708 and nameserver 706.